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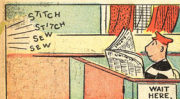
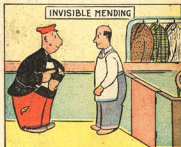
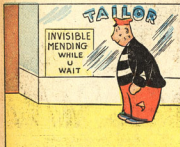
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Through the Perilous Fight



IT WAS DURING THE WAR OF 1812, THAT AN UNUSUAL INCIDENT LED TO THE WRITING OF "THE STAR SPANGLED BANNER." DR. WILLIAM BEANES, OF UPPER MARLBOROUGH, MD., A CLOSE FRIEND OF FRANKS SCOTT KEY HAD BEEN FORCED TO ENTERTAIN THE BRITISHERS, REAR ADMIRAL COCKBURN AND GENERAL ROSS, AS THEIR TROOPS PASSED THROUGH THE TOWN.



By
IRENE A. DALY

IT WAS LATE AFTERNOON NEAR THE END OF AUGUST, 1814. AFTER THE ENEMY LEFT, DR. BEANES TALKED WITH TWO NEIGHBORS IN HIS GARDEN.

I SUPPOSE YOU HAD TO BE CIVIL TO THE BRITISH, DR. BEANES.

YES, MR. WEEMS. WE PARTED ON GOOD TERMS.



THEY MUST HAVE BEEN GRATEFUL FOR THE CARE YOU GAVE THEIR WOUNDED, BROUGHT HERE AFTER THE CAPITAL WAS BURNED.

WHAT ELSE COULD I DO, DR. HILL? A DOCTOR MUST HELP WOUNDED MEN.



WHAT'S ALL THE NOISE ABOUT?

STOP THAT SHOUTING! STOP IT, I SAY!



INTO THE GARDEN CAME THREE STRAGGLERS FROM THE BRITISH ARMY.

WE'LL JOIN YOUR PARTY!

WHERE DO YOU KEEP YOUR HORSES? WE'LL NEED MOUNTS, IF WE ARE TO CATCH UP WITH OUR TROOPS.

SAM, FETCH THE CON-STABLE



AT DR. BEANES' INSISTENCE, THE RUFFIANS WERE JAILED.



I FEEL YOU WERE A BIT TOO HASTY MY FRIEND.

THEY WERE SCOUNDRELS! GENERAL ROSS WOULD HAVE HAD THEM FLOGGED!

YES, BUT WE ARE AMERICAN CIVILIANS, AND THEY ARE BRITISH SOLDIERS.



DURING THE NIGHT ONE OF THE SOLDIERS ESCAPED, AND . . .



... REACHING CAMP. . .

SIR, DR. BEANES THREATENED US WITH A PISTOL AND THREW US INTO A DUNGEON.

OUR GENERAL AND ADMIRAL SHOULD HAVE BURNED HIS HOME, INSTEAD OF DINING WITH HIM!



THAT SAME NIGHT, THE INCIDENT WAS RELAYED TO ADMIRAL COCKBURN, WHO SENT A BODY OF MARINES TO THE HOME OF DR. BEANES.



COME ALONG, DR. BEANES!

BUT, I BEG YOU, TELL ME WHAT THIS IS ABOUT!



WHERE ARE YOU TAKING ME?

YOU'LL FIND OUT WHEN YOU GET THERE!



FINALLY, THEY ARRIVED AT THE TOWN OF BENEDICT, WHERE THE BRITISH FLEET WAS ANCHORED.



YOU HAD NO RIGHT TO JAIL MY MEN! YOU SHALL BE CONFINED UNDER GUARD ABOARD VICE ADMIRAL COCHRANE'S SHIP!

I HAD TO KEEP ORDER IN MY VILLAGE, SIR.

THE NEXT DAY, ANGRY NEIGHBORS DISCUSSED THE DOCTOR'S ILL FORTUNE.



OUR FRIEND IS IN CHAINS!

THE BRITISH WILL NOT PERMIT US TO SEE HIM!

OUR ONLY HOPE IS TO ASK THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATES TO ACT ON THE DOCTOR'S BEHALF, BUT WHO WOULD ATTEMPT THIS MISSION IN THESE TIMES?

I CAN THINK OF NO ONE BETTER QUALIFIED, MR. WEST, THAN YOUR BROTHER-IN-LAW, FRANCIS SCOTT KEY, THE LAWYER.

KEY! KEY!



RICHARD WEST WAS SENT TO MR. KEY'S HOME IN GEORGETOWN.



WILL YOU DO WHAT YOU CAN, FRANCIS?

I'LL URGE OUR PRESIDENT TO MOVE FOR THE DOCTOR'S RELEASE AT ONCE.

EARLY NEXT MORNING, KEY RODE INTO THE PLUNDERED CAPITAL.



WHERE HAS THE PRESIDENT TAKEN UP QUARTERS?

YOU MAY FIND HIM AT THE FRENCH MINISTER'S HOUSE, SIR.

AND SO, MR. PRESIDENT, I BEG PERMISSION TO GO TO THE BRITISH AS AN OFFICIAL AMERICAN ENVOY UNDER A FLAG OF TRUCE.

YOU MAY GO. CONTACT COLONEL JOHN SKINNER AND HE WILL HELP YOU.



COLONEL SKINNER WAS THE GOVERNMENT'S AGENT IN CHARGE OF EXCHANGE OF PRISONERS. HE AGREED TO ACCOMPANY KEY TO THE BRITISH FLEET.

BEFORE LEAVING, SKINNER PROCURED LETTERS WRITTEN BY THE ENEMY WOUNDED, IN WHICH THEY PRAISED DR. BEANES' CARE OF THEM. WITHIN A FEW DAYS, THE ENVOYS WERE ON THEIR WAY.

YOU'VE SEEN A GREAT DEAL OF BRITISH OFFICERS, COLONEL. ARE THEY DIFFICULT TO DEAL WITH?

NOT USUALLY. BUT WE ARE OFFERING NO ONE IN EXCHANGE FOR THE DOCTOR.



AFTER ABOUT FOUR DAYS' SAILING. . .

THAT'S THE TONNANT,
ADMIRAL COCHRANE'S
EIGHTY-GUN FLAGSHIP!



KEY AND SKINNER EXPLAINED THEIR
MISSION TO VICE ADMIRAL COCHRANE.

GENERAL ROSS AND
REAR ADMIRAL COCKBURN
SHOULD HEAR THIS CASE.
ASK THEM TO JOIN US.

YES, SIR.



KEY MADE AN ELOQUENT PLEA FOR THE
DOCTOR'S RELEASE AND SKINNER PRESENTED
THE LETTERS. BUT COCKBURN WAS STUBBORN.

FOR SUCH ACTS AS
DR. BEANES COMMITTED
HANGING WOULD BE
A PROPER PENALTY!



IN THESE LETTERS,
GENERAL ROSS, YOUR
WOUNDED TROOPS GLADLY
TESTIFY TO THE KIND
CARE THEY RECEIVED
FROM DR. BEANES!



THE GENERAL READ THE LETTERS, WRITTEN
BY MEN HE KNEW WELL. AND THEN . . .

THESE LETTERS DO
HAVE SOME BEARING
ON THE CASE. I FEEL,
MYSELF, BOUND TO
MAKE A RETURN FOR
THE KINDNESS WHICH
HAS BEEN SHOWN TO
MY WOUNDED MEN. I
WILL RELEASE HIM.

THANK
YOU, SIR.



YOU MAY SEE THE PRISONER
AND TELL HIM OUR DECISION.
HOWEVER, SINCE WE PLAN
AN IMMEDIATE ATTACK UPON
BALTIMORE, WE CANNOT
PERMIT YOU TO LEAVE.



DRAGON MOUNTAIN

By ALBERT J. NEVINS, M.M.

AFTER AH CHING AND BILL HAD HELPED FATHER MA CARE FOR THE REFUGEES AT THE OLD TEMPLE, A MESSENGER BROUGHT NEWS OF THE ARRIVAL OF AN AMERICAN AT THE MISSION. BILL HOPED IT MIGHT BE HIS FATHER.

CHAPTER 8

FATHER MA, AH CHING AND BILL HURRIED BACK TO THE MISSION.

THE MISSION IS JUST AHEAD.

AI YA! WHAT A LARGE AUTOMOBILE!

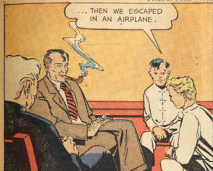
IT LOOKS LIKE MY FATHER'S CAR.

DAD!

THANKS, FATHER, FOR TAKING CARE OF MY BOY! I HAD ALMOST GIVEN HIM UP FOR LOST.

HE HAS BEEN A GREAT HELP TO US.

... THEN WE ESCAPED
IN AN AIRPLANE.



... AND YOU SAY YOU BURIED
THE TREASURE YOU FOUND ON
DRAGON MOUNTAIN? WE MUST FIND
IT AND RETURN IT TO THE CHINESE
GOVERNMENT.



NEXT DAY, AN OFFICIAL PARTY WENT IN SEARCH
OF THE TREASURE.

THE OLD TEMPLE IS IN
THAT GROVE OF TREES.



THERE IT IS!



THIS IS OF GREAT VALUE!
MY GOVERNMENT WILL BE MOST
GRATEFUL!

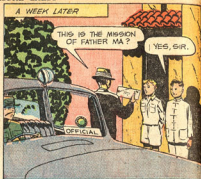


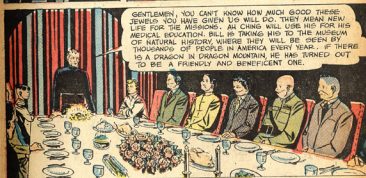
AH! VERY RARE! BEAUTIFUL
WORKMANSHIP! THESE JEWELS
BELONG TO THE MING PERIOD.



THE CHEST WILL BE TAKEN
TO NANKING. ACCEPT MY
HUMBLEST EXPRESSION OF
GRATITUDE FOR YOUR SERVICES.
AH CHING AND BILL HOLDEN.





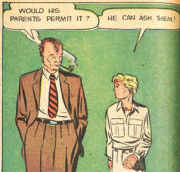


WHY CAN'T WE TAKE AH CHING FOR A VISIT TO AMERICA!

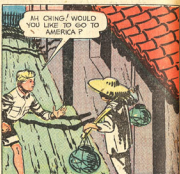


WOULD HIS PARENTS PERMIT IT?

HE CAN ASK THEM!



AH CHING! WOULD YOU LIKE TO GO TO AMERICA?



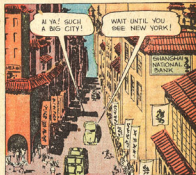
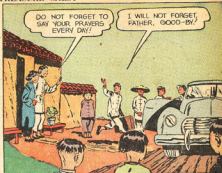
WHAT DO YOU MEAN?

MY FATHER INVITES YOU TO COME WITH US.



YOUR FATHER IS KIND TO INVITE AH CHING. IT WOULD BE UNGRATEFUL OF ME TO REFUSE.





The BIRD WOMAN

SACAJAWEA (SĀ-KĀ-JĀ-WĒ-Ā)

AND THE ROLE SHE PLAYED IN THE LEWIS AND CLARK EXPEDITION.

By Jeanne M. Lawson

PART 3

CALLLED INTO CHIEF CAMEAHWAIT'S CONFERENCE WITH LEWIS AND CLARK, SACAJAWEA RECOGNIZED THE CHIEF AS HER BROTHER WHO HAD ESCAPED FROM THE MINNETAREES. LEWIS AND CLARK HAD COME TO GET HORSES FOR THE TRIP ACROSS THE MOUNTAINS BUT THEIR BUSINESS YIELDED TO A GLAD REUNION.

AFTER THE CONFERENCE



AND THIS IS OUR ELDEST SISTER'S SON. HE IS AN ORPHAN.

HE HAS A MOTHER NOW. I SHALL ADOPT HIM.



SACAJAWEA COULD NOT STAY LONG WITH HER PEOPLE. BY AUGUST 22, LEWIS AND CLARK HAD NINE HORSES AND THREE MULES.

FOR EACH HORSE, WE HAVE GIVEN YOU AN AX, A HANDKERCHIEF AND A LITTLE PAINT.

AND THE DRIED SQUASH YOU BROUGHT! THE BEST THING I HAVE TASTED EXCEPT THE SUGAR SACAJAWEA GAVE ME!



IN SEPTEMBER, 1805, THEY CROSSED THE BITTER ROOT MOUNTAINS.



THERE'S LITTLE GAME IN THESE MOUNTAINS. SACAJAWEA AND THE MEN GROW HUNGRIER.

HAVING SURVIVED THE MOUNTAIN TREK, THEY BUILT CANOES AT THE UPPER BRANCHES OF THE CLEARWATER RIVER.

THERE GOES THE FIRST CANOE. FROM HERE WE'LL REACH SNAKE RIVER, AND THEN, ON TO THE COLUMBIA!



AT THE JUNCTION OF THE CLEARWATER AND SNAKE RIVERS, THE PARTY CAMPED NEAR THE PRESENT CITY OF LEWISTON, IDAHO, NAMED FOR CAPTAIN LEWIS. FROM THERE, THEY ENTERED WHAT IS NOW THE STATE OF WASHINGTON. THEN...

ON OCTOBER 12, 1805, THEY EMBARKED ON THE COLUMBIA RIVER.

SEE THE FISH HANGING UP TO DRY, CHIEF RED HAIR?

THOSE ARE SALMON, SACAJAWEA.



ONE DAY, CLARK AND A FEW MEN WALKED ON SHORE
AHEAD OF THE PARTY.

NOW OUR HUNGRY
PARTY WILL HAVE
SOMETHING TO EAT!

LOOK AT THOSE
INDIANS RUN!



CLARK PADDLED TO THE OPPOSITE
SHORE.

THE SHOTS' FRIGHTENED
THEM.

THEY RUN AT THE
SIGHT OF US!



FAILING TO CALM THEM, HE WAS OFFERING
HIS PIPE, WHEN SACAJAWEA ARRIVED.

I MEAN NO
HARM. I BRING
GIFTS.



AN INDIAN WOMAN
IS WITH YOU!



WELCOME! WE KNOW NOW
YOU COME IN PEACE. NO
WAR PARTY TRAVELS WITH
A WOMAN AND HER CHILD.



TRAVELING ON, THE PARTY DESCENDED THE
GREAT FALLS OF THE COLUMBIA, OCTOBER 23.



AFTER THE FALLS, THEY REACHED A DANGEROUS CHANNEL.



ARE YOU ALL RIGHT, SACAJAWEA?

JUST A LITTLE WET, CHIEF LONG KNIFE.

LATER, ON SHORE, A GROUP OF INDIANS VISITED THEM.

WHAT STRANGE CLOTHES THEY WEAR!

THEY GOT THE SAILORS' CLOTHES FROM A TRADE SHIP. WE CAN'T BE FAR FROM THE PACIFIC.



A FEW MILES FROM THE OCEAN, LEWIS AND CLARK BUILT FORT CLATSOP.

CLARK WAS RIGHT. ON NOVEMBER 8, 1805, THEY SAW THE OCEAN IN THE DISTANCE.

THERE IT IS! WE'VE REACHED OUR GOAL AT LAST!



WE'LL BE SAFE HERE FOR THE WINTER.

YES, OUR NEIGHBORS, THE CLATSOPS, ARE FRIENDLY INDIANS.



WHILE THE MEN MADE MOCCASINS AND HEAVY CLOTHES, SACAJAWEA HELPED IN MANY WAYS.

YOU'RE WORKING HARD, SACAJAWEA.

I'M MAKING TALLOW CANDLES FROM THE FAT OF THE ELK.



ONE DAY, COMOWOOL, CHIEF OF THE CLATSOPS, BROUGHT NEWS.

A WHALE HAS BEEN KILLED AT THE BEACH.

WE'LL GO TO SEE IT.



NEVER HAVING SEEN A WHALE, OR THE OCEAN, SACAJAWEA ASKED TO GO, TOO.

WHAT A LARGE FISH, CHIEF RED HAIR!

THE INDIANS USE THE BLUBBER OF THE WHALE FOR FOOD.



THEY PASSED THE WINTER AT FORT CLATSOP. ON MARCH 23, 1806, THEY STARTED HOME.

COMOWOOL, WE ARE LEAVING THE FORT TO YOU.

THESE PAPERS CARRY OUR NAMES AND OUR JOURNEY'S ROUTE. REMEMBER TO GIVE THEM TO THE FIRST WHITE MEN YOU MEET.



ON THE CLEARWATER RIVER, THEY CAMPED WITH THE CHOPUNNISH TRIBE.

THE WHITE CHIEFS NEED FOOD AND HORSES.

THEY SHALL HAVE BOTH IN EXCHANGE FOR MEDICINE.



LEWIS AND CLARK AGREED TO THIS PLAN.

GIVE ME THE EYEWATER. THE RIVER'S GLARE WEAKENS THEIR EYES.



AFTER TRAVELING OVER THE BITTER ROOT MOUNTAINS, THE PARTY REACHED TRAVELER'S-REST CREEK. HERE, LEWIS AND CLARK SEPARATED. LEWIS WENT NORTH TO EXPLORE THE MARIA'S RIVER. CLARK, WITH SACAJAWEA, WENT TOWARD THE YELLOWSTONE RIVER. THEY PLANNED TO FOLLOW THIS STREAM TO ITS JUNCTION WITH THE MISSOURI. THERE, LEWIS WAS TO REJOIN THEM.

DURING THE TREK TO THE YELLOWSTONE, SACAJAWEA SIGHTED WHAT IS NOW BOZEMAN PASS.

WE SHOULD FOLLOW THAT GAP.

IT IS FARTHER SOUTH THAN I EXPECTED, BUT WE'LL TAKE IT.



AT THE YELLOWSTONE, THEY LASHED THEIR CANOES TOGETHER.



ON AUGUST 12, 1806, THEY REJOINED LEWIS AT THE JUNCTION OF THE YELLOWSTONE AND MISSOURI.



WHAT HAPPENED, CHIEF LONG KNIFE?

ONE OF THE MEN SHOT ME IN THE LEG. HE THOUGHT I WAS AN ELK.

TWO DAYS LATER, THEY WERE WELCOMED BACK AT THE MANDAN VILLAGE.



DID YOU SEE THE GREAT WATERS?

DID YOU FIND STRANGE ANIMALS?

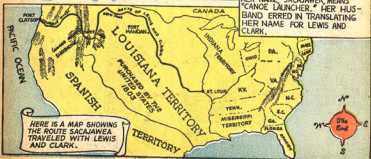
LEWIS AND CLARK HAD TO RETURN TO WASHINGTON IN A SHORT TIME.



HOW CAN WE THANK YOU, SACAJAWEA?

I AM GLAD I COULD HELP YOU, WHITE CHIEFS, BUT I AM SORRY THAT YOU MUST LEAVE US. GOODBYE, AND SPEAK TO YOUR GREAT WHITE FATHER, MR. JEFFERSON, ABOUT US.

ALTHOUGH SHE IS KNOWN IN HISTORY AS THE "BIRD WOMAN," HER NAME, SACAJAWEA, MEANS "CANOE LAUNCHER." HER HUSBAND ERRED IN TRANSLATING HER NAME FOR LEWIS AND CLARK.



HERE IS A MAP SHOWING THE ROUTE SACAJAWEA TRAVELED WITH LEWIS AND CLARK.

BASEBALL

AND HOW TO PLAY IT



COACH BOB BLAKE



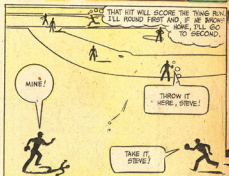
THE COLUMBUS BOYS' CLUB IS LEADING THE ROYALS, 2 TO 1. COLUMBUS IS ABOUT TO TAKE THE FIELD FOR THE LAST OF THE NINTH.

WE NEED JUST THREE OUTS MORE TO WIN. I WANT EVERYONE ON THE FIELD TO HUSTLE!

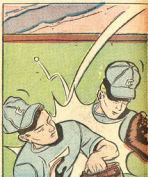
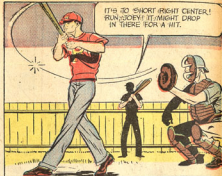
COME ON, LEFTY BOY! BEAR DOWN AND GET THE NEXT THREE MEN OUT!

I'LL TRY, BILL!





WITH THE WINNING RUN ON SECOND, LEFTY TOSSES AGAIN!



LATER

FELLOWS, PLAYING THE OUTFIELD IS MORE THAN CATCHING FLY BALLS. I'LL SHOW YOU WHAT I MEAN.



— CATCHING THE BALL —

TRY TO CATCH THE BALL IN A POSITION IN WHICH YOU CAN THROW IT QUICKLY TO THE INFIELD. IF YOU ARE RIGHTY, KEEP YOUR LEFT FOOT FORWARD. IF YOU ARE LEFTY, KEEP YOUR RIGHT FOOT FORWARD.



ON CATCHES BELOW YOUR WAIST, TURN YOUR PALM OUT, WITH YOUR FINGERS OUT, OR DOWN, ACCORDING TO THE CATCH.



ON CATCHES ABOVE YOUR WAIST, TURN YOUR PALM OUTWARD, FINGERS UP.

IN THE OUTFIELD, IT IS NOT NECESSARILY HOW FAST YOU RUN, BUT HOW ACCURATELY YOU CAN JUDGE THE SPEED AND DIRECTION OF THE BALL JUST HIT, THAT COUNTS. THE MORE QUICKLY YOU GET THE JUMP ON THE BALL, THE BETTER OUTFIELDER YOU WILL BECOME. LEARN TO MOVE IN EVERY DIRECTION—AND LEARN ESPECIALLY TO GO BACK ON A BALL.



WHEN GOING BACK FOR FLIES TO YOUR LEFT, YOUR FIRST STEP IS WITH YOUR LEFT FOOT.



WHEN GOING BACK FOR FLIES TO YOUR RIGHT, YOUR FIRST STEP IS WITH YOUR RIGHT FOOT.



WHEN YOU ARE GOING TO CATCH A BALL, SHOUT "MINE!" AND WAVE OFF THE OTHER PLAYERS. THIS WILL PREVENT MANY COLLISIONS.

— THE THROW IN —

WHEN THROWING TO BASES, THROW OVERHAND, LOW, AND ON ONE HOP.



TWO SHORT THROWS ARE QUICKER AND MORE ACCURATE THAN

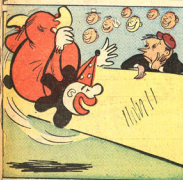
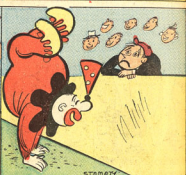


ONE LONG THROW.



LEARN TO GET THE BALL INTO THE INFIELD QUICKLY. IF YOU SEE THAT YOU HAVE NO CHANCE TO GET A MAN RACING FOR HOME, THROW THE BALL TO THE INFIELD SO THAT THE BATTER CANNOT PICK UP AN EXTRA BASE. THAT EXTRA BASE OFTEN WINS A CLOSE BALL GAME.

WILLIE BROWN THE CLOWN



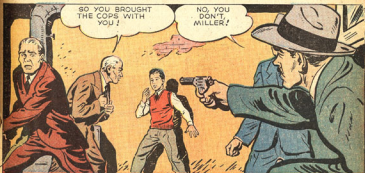
CHUCK WHITE

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MILLER, THE RACKETEER WHO HAD ENGAGED CHUCK TO SELL CARS, ADMITTED THAT CHUCK DID NOT KNOW THAT THEY WERE STOLEN AUTOMOBILES.

SO, LITTLE INNOCENCE, YOU THOUGHT YOU COULD COME HERE ALONE, AND SHAKE US DOWN, DID YOU? I'M GOING TO FINISH YOU!

MR. SUTHERLAND?
MR. SUTHERLAND!





FATHER CARROLL AND I LEFT THE RESTAURANT AND WENT TO THE POOL HALL AS FAST AS WE COULD, BUT ROGERS WAS GONE. WE COULDN'T TRACE HIM SO WE CAME BACK HERE. WE HADN'T ACCOMPLISHED ANYTHING.

WHEN DID YOU FIND OUT WHAT CHUCK HAD DONE?

AS SOON AS WE GOT BACK. IT WAS ALL OVER TOWN.



WELL I'M HAPPY
IT TURNED OUT
THIS WAY.

SO AM I, AND
YOU OUGHT TO
SEE OFFICER
BROPHY. I NEVER
SAW ANYONE
SO PLEASED.

SORRY WE DIDN'T TAKE YOUR
WORD IN THE FIRST PLACE, CHUCK!
IN THIS WORK WE CAN'T AFFORD
TO BELIEVE AN HONEST FACE.
WE MUST HAVE PROOF.

I CAN
UNDERSTAND
THAT.

THEN,
EVERYTHING
IS ALL RIGHT?

THE CASE IS CLOSED. DE SOTO
WAS THE HEAD OF THE MOB.
THE THREE MEN WHO WENT TO
COLUMBUS WERE DRIVERS OF
STOLEN CARS. THEY WERE PICKED
UP AS THEY CROSSED THE STATE
LINE. EVERYTHING
IS CLEARED UP.

MAY WE
GO NOW?

YES, CHUCK. AND
CONGRATULATIONS!

GOOD
LUCK,
SON!

LATER THAT EVENING

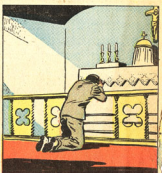
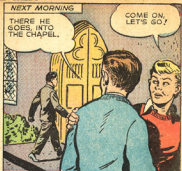
CHUCK, YOUR MOTHER
AND I HAVE DECIDED...ER..
TO START ALL OVER AGAIN.
THIS DANGER YOU WERE IN
SEEMS TO
HAVE DONE
THE TRICK.
AND...TELL
HIM, JEAN.

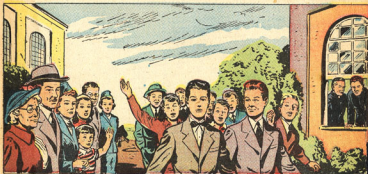
I'M GOING TO SELL
THE RESTAURANT
AND WE'LL ALL
LIVE TOGETHER
HERE IN STEELTOWN.
DO YOU THINK
YOU'LL LIKE
THAT?

WILL
I? JUST
GIVE
ME THE
CHANCE!

OH, I'M
SORRY,
MRS.
BLAKE!
I DIDN'T
MEAN TO
HURT
YOU!

OH, NO,
CHUCK. IT'S
ONLY RIGHT
FOR YOU TO
WANT TO
LIVE WITH
YOUR FATHER
AND MOTHER.
I WOULDN'T
WISH IT ANY
OTHER WAY.
IF YOU LIKE,
THOUGH YOU CAN
STILL HELP ME
IN THE STORE.







HOLY CROSS RECTORY

May 26th

Dear Mary,

Have you ever stopped to think of what imitators we are? There is something in us, something in all human nature that seeks constantly to ape others. Paris, New York — and now, I'm told, Dallas — dictate the fashions, and women follow that just reminds me. Mary, I've noticed that you, and so many of the French and eighth grade girls, have a different hair-do lately. Could that possibly be because Cleopatra Bushin is wearing her hair that way?

Yes, Mary, we are born mimics. God planned it that way and He has given us His Blessed Mother as the Saints for our example. Worldly fashions change from year to year, but Our Lady and the Saints, once living in the world, set a style that is permanent and lasting. Their example bears the Divine seal of approval.

You are fortunate, Mary! That wonderful name gives you a patroness who is the leader of summing. It is a Protestant poet who called her "our tainted nature's solitary boast."

Don't forget, during vacation, that your name is Mary. On the beach, in the street, at sports, in your reading, in song and conversation, remember always that your name is Mary. Reflect her simplicity, her charity, her modesty and her purity. Make yourself worthy of that name!

Live me an Ave, Mary!
Father John



HOLY CROSS RECTORY

May 26th

Dear George,

Are you are going to the seashore this summer? You lucky boy! It won't be long before there will be no more books to study, no more homework to do! Unfortunately, there are some boys and girls who add to that, "No more God, no more religion." Yes, George, there are boys and girls who forget all about God during vacation, especially if they're away from home.

Do you know what an undertow is? If you've ever felt it, you've never forgotten. It is that strong current which when ocean waves break on the shore, keeps trapping at you trying to drag you back into the sea. On a beautiful California beach, there is a mammoth sign, with bold letters, warning all bathers not to go beyond the ropes, because of the strong undertow that lurks beneath the waves. Despite this sign, however, many times are lost there every year. Why? Because somewhere, thinking themselves stronger than they were, ventured beyond the safety fence.

During vacation, George, stay within the safety fence — on the beach, and in your everyday life. Head God's signposts regularly. They are God's lifelines. Have a good time, George! God willing, I'll see you in September.

And, once in awhile, pray for
Father John





HOLY CROSS RECTORY

May 26th

Dear Mike
 Have you ever heard of a "hardinner"? An Army chaplain during the war, coined that word to describe a certain kind of soldier. The back-sliding soldier, but otherwise you'd never guess it. He marked him a Catholic, but otherwise you'd never guess it. His life didn't prove it. He never gave the impression of being a Catholic. Important persons are peculiar things! Mike. They're like our shadows. We can give two kinds of impressions: good - my back. I never knew that you were a "hardinner"! You're probably heard me follow you into the finest playgrounds in the country - I'd begin to wonder if I were a "hardinner" and that I was football and back-sitting players, and back-sitting - these themselves before a contest in Madison Square Garden in New York City. They weren't ashamed to ask God's protection.

Vacation time is perhaps the best time to let the world know that you are a true disciple of Christ. Bless yourself the first thing each morning, and the last thing each night. Bless yourself before that dip in the ocean! or in the lake. Friday, as a good Catholic, should be in the lake. And, as a "hardinner"! Advertise Christ on vacation!

And pay a prayer for me, Mike!

Father John



HOLY CROSS

Dear Alice,

You're in the same boat with me, for we both have to spend our vacation at home this year. Some boys and girls grieve about having to spend summer in the city. Sometimes I feel like doing a little grieve myself. But thanks for your letter! You're right, Alice, vacation at home, if planned, can mean plenty of good fun, and can be spiritually profitable as well.

Your plan to take underprivileged children for an outing two days a week, is a mighty fine idea. You are right in making two Catholic Welfare Bureau's cooperate with you. And you are wise in getting Margaret, Janice, Kathleen, and Cecilia to help you. Taking care of youngsters alone is too big a job. And you'll have fun with them in the park, showing them the zoo. And you'll have fun with them at the beach. Playing tag, sister to these fortunate youngsters!

Alice, still bring joy that you're never known. So you're going to give Mother a day off every week. You say you're going to "take over" Dad's meals, and dinner for them and Dad, play in the house all day for the telephone and knock-knock. In short, Mother, with nothing to worry about, will have a day all to herself. Fine, Alice!

What I like about your program, little lady, is that you are thinking of others, of what will bring happiness to others. God will bless you for it - and you'll be surprised at how good you will feel inside. Let me know if I can help you, and don't forget an occasional prayer for

Your friends,
 Father John



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